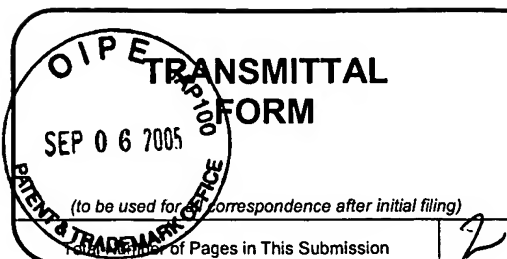
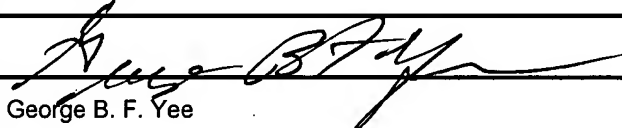
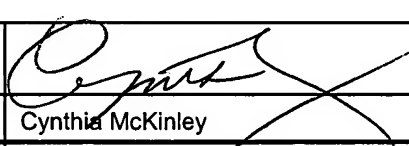


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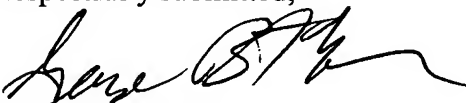
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During a review of the instant application in preparation for payment of the Issue Fee, it was discovered that an IDS submitted on June 29, 2005 appears not to have been fully considered.

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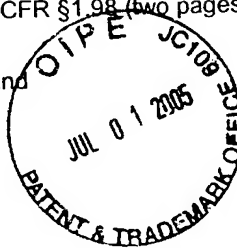
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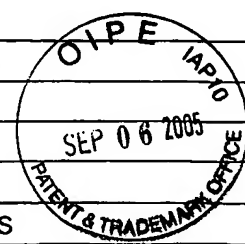


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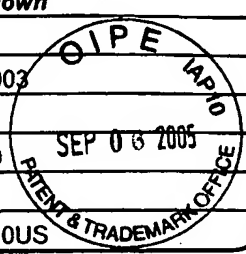
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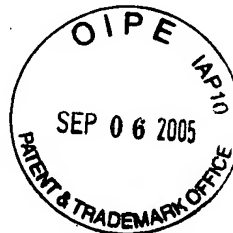
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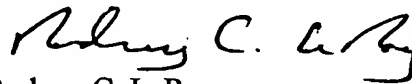
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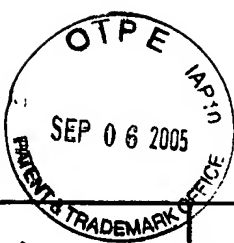
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